

DC, WASH, 176-
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

WASHINGTON

28p
18d

State

County

Town or Vicinity

U.S. General Post Office (now U.S. Tariff Commission
Structure Building) (DC-219)

Between 7th, 8th, E, and F, Sts., N.W. Marble and granite, rectangular with court, 204' (nineteen bays) X 280' (nineteen bays), three stories above basement, rusticated first story, two-story Corinthian order of pilasters having columns at central and secondary pavilions, details adapted from various classical models; offices both sides of corridor in three wings, large room in fourth, brick groined and segmental vaulting in original portion, arched brick
(over)

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Flooring on iron joists in addition, notable helical stairs lighted by cupolas, plaster ornament adapting Greek and Roman motifs, cast-iron door frames, Greek Doric entrance and vestibule. Built 1839-1844, Robert Mills, Architect and Supervisor of construction; major addition 1855-1866, Thomas U. Walter, Architect; Montgomery C. Meigs, Superintendent of construction; later additions inside court and below grade. 9 ext. photos (1969), 3 ext. photocopies (1851 engraving, 1859 woodcut, photo n.d.); 16 int. photos (1969); 19 data pages (1969).

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